

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

CHIRINO et al.,

Serial No.: 09/903,378

Filed: July 10, 2001

For: Protein Design Automation for

Designing Protein Libraries with Altered Immunogenicity

Art Unit. 1631

Examiner: Michael L. Borin

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 26, 2003. This response is timely filed on or before February 26, 2004 with a Petition for a Two month extension of time. Applicant would like to call attention to the fact that, in a facsimile transmittal dated December 23, 2003, Applicant submitted authorization to charge \$55 for a one-month extension of time to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) (1). Accordingly, a check in the amount of \$155 for the balance of the \$210 fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed herewith.

Although the Applicants do not believe any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees or other relief, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. A-69566-1/(463077-105)/RMS/RMK).

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